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# H. R. 9618

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 20, 2022

Mr. CARTWRIGHT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-  
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Safeguarding Treat-  
5 ment for the Restoration of Ecosystems from Abandoned  
6 Mines Act” or the “STREAM Act”.

1   **SEC. 2. LONG-TERM ABANDONED MINE LAND RECLAMA-**  
2                                 **TION.**

3              Section 40701(c) of the Infrastructure Investment  
4   and Jobs Act (30 U.S.C. 1231a(c)) is amended—

5                  (1) by striking “Grants under” and inserting  
6   the following:

7                  “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
8   graph (2), grants under”; and

9                  (2) by adding at the end the following:

10                 **“(2) LONG-TERM ABANDONED MINE LAND REC-**  
11                 **LAMATION.—**

12                 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not more than 30  
13                 percent of the total amount of a grant made  
14                 annually under subsection (b)(1) may be re-  
15                 tained by the recipient of the grant if those  
16                 amounts are deposited into a long-term aban-  
17                 doned mine land reclamation fund established  
18                 under State law, from which amounts (together  
19                 with all interest earned on the amounts) are ex-  
20                 pended by the State or Indian Tribe, as appli-  
21                 cable, for—

22                  “(i) the abatement of the causes and  
23                 the treatment of the effects of acid mine  
24                 drainage resulting from coal mining prac-  
25                 tices, including for the costs of building,

1                   operating, maintaining, and rehabilitating  
2                   acid mine drainage treatment systems;

3                   “(ii) the prevention, abatement, and  
4                   control of subsidence; or

5                   “(iii) the prevention, abatement, and  
6                   control of coal mine fires.

7                   “(B) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Each  
8                   recipient of a grant under subsection (b)(1)  
9                   that deposits grant amounts into a long-term  
10                  abandoned mine land reclamation fund under  
11                  subparagraph (A) shall—

12                  “(i) offer amendments to the inven-  
13                  tory maintained under section 403(c) of  
14                  the Surface Mining Control and Reclama-  
15                  tion Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1233(c)) to  
16                  reflect the use of the amounts for—

17                  “(I) acid mine drainage abate-  
18                  ment and treatment;

19                  “(II) subsidence prevention,  
20                  abatement, and control; and

21                  “(III) coal mine fire prevention,  
22                  abatement, and control; and

23                  “(ii) include in the annual grant re-  
24                  port of the recipient information on the  
25                  status and balance of amounts in the long-

1                   term abandoned mine land reclamation  
2                   fund.

3                 “(C) TERM.—Amounts retained under  
4                 subparagraph (A) shall not be subject to—

5                   “(i) subsection (d)(4)(B); or  
6                   “(ii) any other limitation on the  
7                 length of the term of an annual grant  
8                 under subsection (b)(1).”.

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